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CHIANG ORDERS "CEASE FIRE"

Nanking, Nov. 8. Chinese Government troops on all fronts have been ordered by President Chiang Kai-shek to cease fire at noon on November 11. President Chiang declared that the cease fire was issued "as further evidence of the sincere desire of the Government to achieve a lasting peace and political stability for the country," reports Central News.

All Government troops were ordered to cease fire "except as may be necessary to defend their present positions". President Chiang, in his statement which was issued after a conference at 7.15 p.m., reiterated that the National Assembly would no longer be postponed. He declared that "it is the decision of the Government that the Assembly be formally convened on November 12 as scheduled."

Paraphrasing his statement, of October 16 last, President Chiang declared that "the Government showed a spirit of conciliation which it was hoped would be reciprocated by the Communists in order that a complete settlement could be reached on all pending problems. The Government stands ready to provide ample opportunity for the Communist Party and other parties to develop along truly democratic lines."

The President expressed hopes that the Communists will authorize their representatives to participate in the meetings of the Committee to discuss the immediate implementation of the measures for the disposition of troops, the restoration of communications and the re-organization and integration of the armies as proposed in my statement of October 16."

Stumbling Block
Nanking, Nov. 8. Chief stumbling block to the resumption of negotiations for peace is the Government's insistence that they be based on Chiang Kai-shek's eight-point peace programme.

Delegates to the National Assembly, scheduled to meet on Nov. 12 to frame the new constitution, continued to arrive, totalling 611 by noon yesterday.

The Communists clung to the threat to boycott the assembly. Meanwhile Government reports acknowledged that the Communists are pouring reinforcements into Eastern Shantung but claimed that the Nationalists are maneuvering to cut them off. As the Reds marched eastward along the Tientsin-Taiwan railroad, the Nationalists moved from both the north and the south toward the line. Fighting was reported raging along the corridor.

Mopping Up

In Hopei, the Nationalists continued to mop up Communist remnants around Hsu Shui, Tsao Ho and Paoting, on the northern section of the Peiping-Hankow railroad. The Nationalists have not yet started their drive southward from Paoting, although troops moving north from Shihchiachuan are reported to be approaching Tientsin, 30 miles south of Paoting. The Communists hold four railroad cities between the two cities.

The official Chin Shih Jih Pao reported that the Communists have moved to the northwest where they made a stand 18 miles south of Paoting.—Associated Press.

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AMERICAN AVIATOR "ABSOLVES" HONG KONG INDIANS

Could Not Testify To Betrayal Interviewed By A.P. In Texas

On Wednesday last, two Indians were sentenced to four years' hard labour after being found guilty of the betrayal to the Japanese of an American aviator who was shot down over Hong Kong during a raid on June 16, 1945. Their counsel, Mr. A. P. Rajah, withdrew from the case on the last day of the trial when Mr. Justice Williams rejected an application for an adjournment to enable him to call the aviator.

Yesterday, in Abilene, Texas, J. F. Baich, the American aviator concerned, said that he could not testify that the two Indians—Ghamand Singh (alias Man Singh) and Jass Singh—had betrayed him and that although he saw two turbaned, bearded men in the street after the Japanese had seized him, he had at the time "no reason to believe they had turned me in."

Abilene, Texas, Nov. 8. Jean Felton Baich said today he could not testify that two Indians on trial in Hong Kong had betrayed him to the Japanese after he had bailed out of a damaged Navy bomber Jan. 16, 1945.

Defence counsel, Mr. A. P. Rajah, said in Hong Kong that Baich if he were present could give testimony that would prove his clients' guilt or innocence.

Mr. Rajah, attorney for Ghamand Singh and Jass Singh, said he would like answers to two questions and listed them.

Baich, in Abilene, gave these answers:

Question No. 1
Mr. Rajah: "Did he soon after he landed in the backyard to a house in Kennedy Town, Hong Kong, overhear a conversation between a turbaned Indian with a black beard and his presence or did he see this Indian peering through a wire gate/leading into the rear of the premises?"

Answer: "I could not say that my recollection had any conversation with an Indian at the time of my rescue."

Question No. 2
Second question: "Did he see two turbaned Indians with beards when he was finally arrested and taken away by the Japanese gendarmes?"

Answer: "I could not say that my recollection had any conversation with an Indian at the time of my rescue."

Sclerosis Unknown In The East

Miami, Nov. 8. Dr. James A. Shield, assistant professor of neuro-psychiatry of the medical college of Virginia, said in an address before the Southern Medical Association convention that food produced from soil fertilized with chemicals has caused an increase of degenerative diseases throughout the United States.

Dr. Shield said that the cause of the disease is a naturally occurring substance in the soil, which is known to the Orient, where natural manures and plant refuse are used as fertilizers. He said that the death rate from the disease in the United States is almost as high as infantile paralysis death rate.

Shield declared that inorganic chemical fertilizers "at times disturb the chemical balance of the soil and in turn affect the health of animals that feed on the crops."

He said that despite deficiencies in vitamins, proteins and fats in the Chinese diet, the Chinese have no sclerosis of their nerves, their blood vessels, blockage of their veins or hypertension. He said that several

BRITAIN FIRST

London, Nov. 8. The Press Association says that Britain has decided not to reduce the present standard of living, but to give more food to the Germans. It says that food cargoes on the way to Britain will not be diverted to Hamburg.—Associated Press.

Church Should Be Freed

Liverpool, Nov. 8. Dr. C. F. Garbett, the Archbishop of York, proposed yesterday freeing the Church of England from Government controls because Parliament "no longer consists of churchmen."

"With the growth of the totalitarian state," he declared in an address prepared for the Liverpool diocesan conference, "it is possible that in the future only those who would be chosen for ecclesiastical posts would support the Government of the day."

Dr. Garbett said that the "freedom of the Church was precarious," and added: "The House of Commons has neither the time nor the wish to deal with the worship of the Church. Some method must therefore be found to enable changes to receive the

royal assent without debates in Parliament."

It is of equal importance that the Church should have some voice in the appointment of its chief officers. For many years the greatest error has been taken by Prime Ministers in making appointments to vacant bishoprics and deaneries. But there might be a Prime Minister who cared nothing for the Church, only the Party.—Associated Press.

Jap. Peace Proposal In April, 1941

Tokyo, Nov. 7. The peace proposal presented by "private individuals" to the United States Department of State on April 9, 1941, before Pearl Harbour, was stated at today's session of the International Military Tribunal here to have become the basis of lengthy negotiations between Japan and the United States.

A State Department document presented to the Tribunal said that unknown persons, whom Mr. Cordell Hull, then the United States Secretary of State, called "Americans and Japanese collaborating for better relations between the two countries, proposed:

1. Recognition by the United States of Manchukuo, Japan's puppet state in Manchuria.
2. Retention of Japanese troops in China until Chinese-Japanese negotiations had been completed.
3. Assistance by the United States in removing the British from Hong Kong and Singapore as the "doorways to further British encroachments in the Far East."
4. A suggestion by the United States to Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek that gold and strategic materials should be furnished to Japan for use in the "defence against Communism," and
5. A meeting at Honolulu between President Roosevelt and Japanese Premier Koyama.

On April 12, 1941, Matsuoaka, then Japanese Foreign Minister, called to Mr. Winston Churchill: "Japan holds steadily to the view that great racial aims and ambitions will be finally brought about on the earth as envisaged in 'Hakko Ichiu' (the World Under One Roof)."

Mr. Churchill was reported to have told Shigemitsu, then Ambassador in London, that he considered it desirable that Japan should be active in China and that peace should be brought about between China and Japan.

Hull's Warning

The record of diplomatic exchanges revealed that on June 21, 1941—the day before Germany attacked Russia—United States Secretary of State Cordell Hull told Japanese Ambassador Nomura that "accumulating evidence indicated that some Japanese leaders in influential official positions were definitely committed to a course which calls for support of Nazi Germany and its policy."

Nazi Rocket Experts In Britain

London, Nov. 7. Nine German rocket experts arrived in England today to continue the work they had begun under the Nazis.

They join 30 others already working in British research establishments and will be followed by 15 more.

Today's group are to work at Britain's rocket projectile headquarters at Westcott, Buckinghamshire. They have all come voluntarily.

The 32-year-old chemist, Jurgen Dieckmann, told Reuter that he and his colleagues would "concentrate on perfecting the plan they had under construction at Kiel."

"It is rocket plan and so far our tests have been able to get it to a height of 30,000 feet and at a speed approaching 1,000 miles per hour. These tests were made with a pilot at the controls and with special oxygen apparatus. All types of rocket work are to be probed and we are arranging for equipment to be sent here from our laboratories in Germany."—Reuter.

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Correct Password

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From the description given by men at the convent, Dr. Fiederkiewicz said that he believed that one of the men was a member of the staff of the Polish Legation in Ottawa during the tenure of the Polish Government in exile, named Pelkowski—one of the three men who knew the password.

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The present government could not claim the treasures, he added, because the Church, he added, the Poles claimed that he was a former custodian of the treasures.

The missing treasures—described by Dr. Fiederkiewicz as 75 per cent of the whole—were "safe," the Quebec "Chronicle-Telegraph" said today, adding that they would be restored to the present Polish Government "if and when" it was proved the rightful owner.—Reuter.

They Sure Get Around

Washington, Nov. 8. The 20,000-ton aircraft carrier "Randolph" and the 10,000-ton cruiser "Fargo" flagship of the United States naval forces in the Mediterranean, will call at the Turkish port of Izmir (Smyrna) in one of the series of "courtesy visits" by American warships to the ports of the United States Navy Department announced today.

The itinerary of the "Randolph" and "Fargo" includes Beirut and Pines, while the "Randolph" is scheduled to visit Alexandria.

The 10,000-ton cruiser "Houma" will visit Port Said and the destroyers "Ness," "Robert P." and "Wilson" will go to Crete. A visit to Jeddah will be paid by the destroyers "Corry" and "Halsey."—Reuter.

ALASKA HIGHWAY

Washington, Nov. 8. The United States and Canada today announced an agreement under which goods may be shipped by truck in both directions from the coast to Alaska over the Alaska highway and connecting roads. This means that once the road is improved goods can be shipped between the United States and Alaska without payment in Canada of import duties or similar charges.—Associated Press.

Priceless Treasure 'Stolen'?

Ottawa, Nov. 8. The responsibility for the removal of priceless Polish art treasures "missing" from their wartime evacuation homes is placed by the Polish Minister to Canada, Dr. A. J. Fiederkiewicz, on three agents of the former Polish Government in exile.

These treasures, worth a fortune, are nearly all 400-year-old silver and gold tapestries, which were originally decorations at the Royal Castle in Cracow. They were presented to the country by King Sigismund Augustus, who reigned from 1548 to 1572.

The treasures, which were brought to Canada at the beginning of the war when Victor Podolski was Ambassador, were placed in safekeeping at a Canadian Government experimental farm in Ottawa. Later, when Dr. W. Babinski was Ambassador, he replaced Podolski in June, 1944.

The treasure was removed to the Bank of Montreal and to two Quebec convents.

According to Babinski, some of the treasure was again removed to a secret destination by unknown persons shortly afterwards.

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Disquiet

An observer recently returned here from Sudan attributed the political disquiet in Sudan in part to a misinterpretation of the Arabic word for "sovereignty" which has been used to describe the future relations of Sudan to Egypt.

This word also means "mastery" or "domination," and has disturbed the Sudanese, who object to the idea of Egyptian domination over their country, he said.—Reuter.

BANK RAID ATTEMPT

Jerusalem, Nov. 7. A night watchman was seriously injured when Jewish gangsters made an unsuccessful attempt to rob Barclay's Bank at Tel-Aviv yesterday night.

The gangsters held up three night watchmen and tied them up, but were unable to open the bank strong-room.—Reuter.

Smallpox Spreading Rapidly

Using the public address van, Government health workers in the past few days have been touring various districts in Hong Kong and Kowloon in continuation of the campaign designed to impress upon the population the urgent necessity of vaccination as a safeguard against small-pox.

The response to this latest form of publicity has been very satisfactory. It is reported that the numbers vaccinated daily have risen during the week from just under 20,000 to about 25,000.

Small-pox is rapidly spreading. Many hundreds of cases have occurred, two-thirds of which have been fatal. Anyone who has not been vaccinated recently is strongly advised to be vaccinated immediately. Vaccinations which do not cause some slight inflammation do not afford any protection, and the vaccine used has probably deteriorated.

The Government has opened many vaccination centres on both sides of the harbour, where members of the public may receive free vaccination.

H.K. Centres

In Hong Kong, some of the centres are at: Queen Mary Hospital, Sanying Hospital, Out-patients' Department, Queen's Road, W. Tung Wah Hospital, Tung Wah Eastern Hospital, Kam Shing Restaurant, opposite Central Market, Queen's Road, Shan Chan Restaurant, 102, Des Voeux Road, C. Foo Loong Tenhouse, 2, Queen's Road, W. Y.M.C.A. Club, 38, Bonham Road, Ying King Restaurant, Johnston Road, Shaikwan Market, Chinese Public Dispensaries, in all districts.

Kowloon Centres

In Kowloon, centres are located at: Kowloon Hospital, Kwong Wah Hospital, Yee Hong Hospital, Yee Hong Tenhouse, 246, Shanghai Street, Victory Theatre, Mongkok, Kam Tong Restaurant, corner of Shanghai and Shantung Streets. Public dispensaries in all districts and rural areas.

The Health Department is also undertaking a house-to-house vaccination campaign in the broadest effort to meet the needs of persons who may be unable to attend these centres.

Surprise In The Sudan

Cairo, Nov. 8. Sir Hubert Huddleston, Governor-General of Sudan, who arrived here last night from Khartoum, left early today for London, accompanied only by his private secretary.

His sudden journey has caused surprise in political circles here as he returned to Khartoum only last week and was preparing to make a tour of inspection in the provinces.

It is generally believed here in the absence of authoritative information that the Governor-General intends to place London in possession of facts about the latest developments in Sudan, where there have been demonstrations and a certain amount of unrest.

Ahmed Pasha, Egyptian Under-Secretary for National Defence, is at present in Sudan. Though the official reason for his visit is stated to be an inspection of the site for a new barracks, unofficial Egyptian circles think that he may be enquiring into the reasons for the recent anti-Egyptian demonstrations.

Don't Slacken Your Belts?

Lake Success, N.Y., Nov. 8. The world will have to continue on slim rations through next year, the United Nations' 51 member Economies Committee was told by Dennis A. Fitzgerald, secretary general of the International Emergency Food Council.

The Council is a voluntary group of nations which grew out of the wartime British-American Food Board.

Currently it receives reports from members on food production and on food needs for a year ahead.

The search for cereals—wheat, rice—may be even more aggravated next spring than it was this year, Fitzgerald said. Fats and oils production is still 15 per cent less than prewar.

Some nations such as China, India, Czechoslovakia, Yugoslavia and Poland are anxiously seeking some means whereby their people can be fed this year, he said.

The committee has agreed to meet Saturday to hear Director General LaGuardia of UNRRA report on its agency's work.

Russia has made a point here that it wishes to hear the UNRRA report before discussing next year's probable food shortages. The Soviet delegates are expected to oppose termination of UNRRA, which already has been agreed upon.—Associated Press.

THE WEATHER

Anticyclones are centred over Mongolia and to the North of Japan. Gradients are slight over South China and a trough of low pressure extends from Botoc to the Carolines. The typhoon is centred about 200 miles SE of Okinawa moving NE at 10 to 15 knots.

Today's forecast: Moderate E winds, falling light at times. Fair rather warm. Yesterday's weather: Maximum: 80.5 deg. F. Minimum: 70.3 deg. F. Max. Rel. Humidity: 88%. Rainfall: Nil. Sunshine: 9.8 hours.

Or Would You Rather Have A Quilt?

Ration ticket holders who have not yet got their ration of woolen yarn may, as from today and for the next nine days, obtain a cotton quilt each in the case of Hong Kong residents and a cotton blanket each in the case of residents on the Mainland.

The distribution will take place from the rice depots on the days when ticket holders draw their ration of rice or flour.

Only households of five persons and up are entitled to the distribution.

Price of the quilt is \$20, and that of the blanket \$7.

POST OFFICE NOTICES

Outward Mails

On Monday, Nov. 11, 1946, the General Post Office and Kowloon C.P.O. will be open for business from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m.

There will be one delivery of ordinary correspondence at 10 a.m., and one collection of pillar boxes only.

The Money Order Office and other Branch Post Offices will be entirely closed.

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(Par.) Monday, 9 a.m. 11/11.
(Reg.) Monday, 9 a.m. 11/11.
(Ord.) Tuesday, 11 a.m. 12/11.

Ord.—Tuesday 12/11 11 a.m.
Postage rate (by Sea only) for Christmas Cards in open covers bearing not more than five written words is five cents.

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Saigon and Calcutta (Esang) noon.

Airmail for Canton, Kowloon and Chungking (A.T.C. Plane) (Reg.) 9 p.m. (Ord.) 3/30 p.m.
Macao, Tientsin and Shekhi (Kwong Sai) 3/30 p.m.
Canton (Fatchan) 4 p.m.

SUNDAY, NOV. 10
Macao, Tientsin and Shekhi (Kwong Fook Cheung) (Reg.) 5 p.m. 9/11. (Ord.) 10 a.m. 10/11.
Kowloon (Kwan Lai) (Reg.) 5 p.m. 9/11. (Ord.) 10 a.m. 10/11.
Canton (By Train) (Reg.) 5 p.m. 9/11. (Ord.) 10 a.m. 10/11.

Airmail for Hoihow, Kweilin, Hankow and Nanking (C.N.A.C. Plane) (Reg.) 5 p.m. 9/11. (Ord.) 10 a.m. 10/11.

Airmail for Canton, Amoy, Shanghai, Tientsin and Peiping (C.A.T.C. Plane) (Reg.) 5 p.m. 9/11. (Ord.) 10 a.m. 10/11.

MONDAY, NOV. 11
(GENERAL HOLIDAY)
Pakhoi and Haliphong (Empire Park) 10 a.m.
Swatow and Bangkok (Oradell) 10 a.m.

Kowloon (Fook Hoi) 10 a.m.
Canton (By Train) 10 a.m.
Airmail for Singapore, Colombo, Bangkok, Calcutta, Johannesburg, Delhi, Cairo, London, Sydney and Auckland (By Air) Kowloon C.P.O. (Reg.) 9 a.m. (Ord.) 9/30 a.m. G.P.O. (Reg.) 9/30 a.m. (Ord.) 10 a.m.

Hong Kong Folk Are Jay-Walkers

(By Margaret Bradbury)

Hong Kong's postwar population is living under a "jay walking" spell, according to the firm conviction of the Colony's police-traffic department, who gave me some facts and figures yesterday which show that the present road accident and death rate is now one of the Colony's most serious problems.

Fatal road accidents last month numbered 22, and five Chinese were killed through tramcar accidents alone while climbing on and off the vehicles in September.

Police Superintendent G. D. Binstead, who arrived in the Colony two months ago from Palestine, said yesterday: "People here seem absolutely traffic unconscious. They walk across the streets while their minds are occupied entirely by other thoughts."

Mr. Binstead said he felt commercial vehicles were not playing the game and were talking advantage of the present insufficiency of police officials by continually overloading and speeding.

He pointed out that this was borne out by the large number of cases brought to court recently when offenders were fined and imprisoned.

Safety First
Future safety first efforts of the traffic department will shortly include the introduction of filtering lights wherever possible at traffic light junctions and better lighting along Conduit Road.

The taxi situation in Hong Kong has improved considerably in the last few months as more cars have arrived from America and Britain. There are now 50 licensed taxis and 30 public hire vehicles.

Applications for licences are received daily by the police who are allowing for another two or three hundred taxi and private hire car licences to be issued eventually.

EMERGENCY SITTING

As one of the documents which the defence had demanded in the case of Kyoda Shigemi, master of the "Lisbon Maru" had arrived from Japan, an emergency sitting of the Court was held yesterday afternoon to ascertain whether the defence was ready to proceed.

It is understood that the Court will re-assemble on Wednesday.

BAIL ESTREATED

Bail of \$100 was estreated at Kowloon Court yesterday when Meng Hou-kee, 38, cargo supervisor on the s.s. "E. Sang," failed to appear before the Magistrate on a charge of unlawfully importing 97 bags of rice (of 10.970 lbs. approximate weight), the cargo being unmanifested.

The Magistrate ordered that consent of the I. & E. Office be obtained before the cargo was sold.

Philadelphia, Nov. 8.
The Executive Board of the American Friends Service Committee today announced approval of its largest budget in history—\$8,365,328 for the year ending September 30, 1947—to ease the "urgent need for food, shelter and clothing in large areas of Europe and Asia." The budget includes \$7,238,840 for overseas activity. The remainder was for activities in the United States.—Associated Press.

Malaya's 'Lost Legion'

Singapore, Nov. 8.
Two hundred and sixty-nine Asiatic members of Malaya's "lost legion" returned to Singapore yesterday from New Guinea. The Singapore authorities questioning them said that they were all members of various British regular army units or the Malay civilian police force and were the remnants of 1,400 Chinese, Malays and Indians sent to New Guinea by the Japanese.

The remainder died or were killed.

Yesterday's arrivals, many of whom were suffering from malnutrition and malaria, will be sent to their homes in the Malay peninsula.—Associated Press.

Banishment Recommended
Sui Loi, 24, a hawker, was sentenced to six months' hard labour when he appeared before Mr. Horace Lo at Kowloon Court yesterday on a charge of demanding money with menaces from Chong Man, folk of the Sing Hop Tea Shop, as a fee toward an unspecified "Society."

Mr. Lo said that he could not but take a serious view of the case and would recommend banishment. Evidence was given that accused threatened to kill Chong Man if the money was not forthcoming. The mistress of the tea shop had remained with him and offered him a cup of tea while the police were on the way following a phone call.

Nanking, Nov. 8.
Negotiations to implement the Sino-French treaty abolishing extra-territoriality and to reach a commercial agreement will start today between the Foreign Office and a special French Economic Mission. A similar treaty between Britain and China is under discussion.—Associated Press.

Seven fishermen appeared before the Magistrate at Kowloon Court yesterday on charges of having, between Oct. 22 and Nov. 1, stolen 150 fathoms of telegraph cable from the seabed between Tai Hoi Wan and Lamma Island, property of Cable and Wireless, Ltd. They were remanded, three days in police custody.

Wanted A Revival!
An Evangelistic Service every Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock.

EMMANUEL CHURCH
218, Nathan Road, Kowloon.
Strangers are warmly welcome. No collection.

UNBAN COUNCIL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given of the intention of the Urban Council to exhume the remains of the deceased persons buried on a lower lawn of the house on R.B.L. 399 (No. 28), Repulse Bay Road, and to rebury them in New Kowloon Cemetery No. 8 (Diamond Hill Urn Cemetery) within fourteen days of the publication of this notice.

R. W. H. MAYNARD,
Secretary, Urban Council.
Hongkong, 8th November, 1946.

DEPARTMENT OF IMPORTS AND EXPORTS NOTICE

This Department will be Open for all purposes from 9 a.m. to 12 noon on Monday, the 11th of November, 1946.

E. HIMSWORTH,
Superintendent,
Imports & Exports.
Hongkong, 8th November, 1946.

NOTICE ROADS OPEN

Upper Albert Road from Arbuthnot Road to Garden Road is now open to all traffic proceeding East or West.

NOTICE

Bill of Lading No. 7
S.S. "Binfield"

EGC—30 Bags Native Brown Sugar

It is notified that the above Bill of Lading, issued by MacKinnon, Mackenzie & Co., Agents for S. N. Co. Ltd., covering cargo shipped from Hong Kong to Penang, consigned to Eng Yuan Chan, has been lost and is declared null and void.

WO LOONG HING,
43 Des Voeux Road, West, Hong Kong.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Mr. T. C. Leung is no longer connected with the undermentioned firm and from the 27th, October, 1946, and that he has no authority to represent or to sign any document on behalf of our firm in any capacity whatever.

DICKON & COMPANY,
18, Wing Kut Street, Hong Kong.

NOTICE

We beg to announce that Mr. U Sze-Wing has been appointed our Hongkong Manager as from 5th November 1946.

DODWELL & CO., LTD.

NOTICE

A quiet ceremony in honour of the Portuguese War Dead will take place at the Club de Recreio, Kowloon on November 10, 1946 at 2 p.m.

All Members of the Portuguese Community are cordially invited to attend.

HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB

The Public are welcome in to the Ground for the Cricket Match between

THE UNITED SERVICES XI and A COLONY XI

on Sunday 10th November and Monday 11th November

Hours of play:
Sunday 12 noon — 6.15 p.m.
Monday 11.00 a.m. — 6.15 p.m.

The Band of The Jaijpur Guards will play on Monday, 11th November between 4.00 p.m. and 8.00 p.m. (by kind courtesy of Lt. Col. N. Walters, M.C.)

After the Match refreshments will be served to Members, their wives and lady friends on the lawn outside the Pavilion between 4.15 p.m. and 8.00 p.m.

CYRIL BELL,
Hon. Secretary,
H. K. C. C.

NOTICE

THE UNION CHURCH
Jordan Road, Kowloon

The renovation and re-opening of the Union Church, Kowloon will be considered at a General Meeting in the Games Room of the Y.M.C.A., Salisbury Road, at 6 p.m. on TUESDAY, 19th NOVEMBER. Former members of the congregation are particularly requested to attend. A special invitation is extended to free church members of the Forces, and to all who are interested in the revival of the Union Church.

It is hoped to prepare shortly, a roll of former and new members from which a Committee of Management can be elected.

A. W. INGRAM,
Chairman of the Committee of Management.
Tel: 58025

HONGKONG SOCIETY FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN

PATRON: H.E. The Governor of Hong Kong

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING will be held on TUESDAY, 10th December in ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL HALL at 6.30 p.m.

M. BARKER,
Hon. Secretary

NOTICE

We beg to announce that Mr. U Sze-Wing has been appointed our Hongkong Manager as from 5th November 1946.

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Hongkong, 28th October, 1946.

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REMINDER
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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

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The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 28th October to the 12th November 1946, both days inclusive.

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BY ORDER OF THE BOARD.
A. W. BROWN,
General Manager.

Hongkong, 30th October, 1946.

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NOTICE is hereby given that the Fifty-fifth Ordinary Annual Meeting of the Company will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on Wednesday the 13th November, 1946, at Noon, for the purpose of confirming the appointment of the Board of Directors and receiving their Report together with Statements of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1941, and for the period 1st January, 1942 to 31st December, 1945.

By order of the Board of Directors,
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DETERRENTS?

Reference to the Nuremberg trial in the King's Speech, prodding Parliament on Wednesday again hailed the result as establishing a precedent which will ensure that political and military leaders who in the future conspire to wage aggressive war will be punished. "The principles laid down by the Court," said His Majesty, "represent an important development in international law which will, I hope, prove a lasting deterrent against aggression." This is an admirable idea. But is should not be overlooked that the main reason the Nazi leaders found themselves in the dock was not that they made the war, but that they lost it. Future historians are therefore more likely to record that the real significance of Nuremberg was that it set a precedent for the losers to be tried by the victors. Whether this will materially advance the cause of world civilization seems open to doubt. The careful and discriminating judgments handed out at Nuremberg are proof of the seriousness and sense of responsibility with which the Tribunal devoted itself to its complicated and thankless task. No one can doubt that justice in the broadest sense has been done. On the other hand, it is open to grave doubt whether it was good law. Certainly the guilty men committed the vilest crimes against humanity. But in order that these should be brought home to them, new law had to be invented, and applied retrospectively. No one can find much satisfaction in that. Granting the essential illegality of the whole basis of the trial, the proceedings were conducted with such dignity and fairness, and with such respect for the rules of evidence, that the accused showed quite plainly by their conduct that, in their hearts, they accepted the Court's jurisdiction. The accused, like King Charles I of England, when tried by the triumphant Roundheads, might have refused to plead. Instead, they defended themselves with vigour. And they showed, on repeated occasions, their respect for the Court, for the conduct of the trial, and for the way in which Lord Justice Sir Geoffrey Lawrence presided, as well as for the way in which Sir Maxwell Fyfe and other Allied lawyers conducted the prosecution. But dignity and impartiality in judicial proceedings, and trials which are a signal example of Allied cooperation, are not necessarily deterrents to the arising of new aggressors.

U.S. ELECTION

The true significance of the American election result probably lies in the indication they give as to who will move into the White House in January, 1950. The strength of the tide flowing against the Truman administration and the Democratic Party could hardly have been more amply illustrated, and it is noteworthy that every time since 1890 that there has been a change in the party line-up in Congress after a mid-term election, the victorious party has won the Presidency two years later. No one imagines the President will respond to the strange suggestion that he should create a precedent and resign. His task in the next two years will, nevertheless, be an unenviable one, with the unwelcome prospect of the adoption of mutual blocking tactics stifling measured progress. In foreign policy, though there is little to suggest any striking change, Soviet interpretation of the election result as reactionary will not ease the burden of Byrnes. In Britain, too, there has been marked uneasiness. All American political history goes to show that when the Republicans are in control of Presidential victory they have tended to nominate someone on the extreme right. The association forerunners is one of Big Business, rugged individualism, and high tariffs, which spells no good to an expanding world economy.

They Laugh At Their Customers

In their latest picture, "I See A Dark Stranger," Frank Launder and Sidney Gilliat return to the kind of comedy thriller they excelled in as script writers before the war. As writer-producer-directors, they decided that a brief interlude of light entertainment would be a timely change before returning to the more serious type of picture they have been making during the war.

"I See A Dark Stranger," a spy story set in Ireland and England, is a light-hearted picture full of the happiest kind of fun. The story is of a naive and spirited Irish village girl who becomes involved with German agents in spying on Britain and then realises she has more in common with the British than with the Nazi. The English and the Irish are equally the target for Launder and Gilliat's wit. Because they have a deep understanding of the whole subject they were

By CATHERINE
DE LA ROCHE

able to produce a comedy that offends neither the English nor the Irish, and gives entertaining and interesting sidelights on life in Eire.

Created Famous Characters

Both Gilliat and Launder are in their late thirties. They have grown up with the British film industry, having joined it during the transition period from silent films to talkies. They have also played a leading part in developing the essentially national character that appeared in the British cinema during the war, when film workers started maturing and films gradually acquired style.

While still under twenty years, Launder wrote a comedy which was produced by the Brighton Company. Though in his view it had no merit except bright and lively dialogue, it secured him a job in the scenario department of Eelstree studios. There he wrote the screen plays of some of the first British talkies. Later he became a founder member of the Screenwriters' Association. He has always been an enthusiastic advocate of screenwriting as an independent medium in its own right, a medium which the greatest creative writers can use for self-expression, provided they love the cinema.

Gilliat also started film work before he was 20 doing all kinds of jobs. His first job was as a script writer. He wrote subtitles for silent films, then he costumed several pictures, till one day he thought of a "gag" (a comedy trick) which was incorporated into an early talkie. On the strength of this he became "gag-man" to Walter Forde, one of the leading directors of the time, and worked on many of his comedies. By 1930 he was a recognised script writer. Both Launder and Gilliat, therefore, established themselves first as "humorous" writers. When later they engaged in more serious work, its quality was always enhanced by the wit and humour that is natural to both of them.

The screenplay that first drew attention to the team was "The Lady Vanishes," the Alfred Hitchcock comedy thriller in which they created the now famous characters of Charters and Caldwell, satirising two unimaginative Englishmen who remain more interested in the game of cricket than in the international spies whom they succeed in unmasking.

Their first venture as joint directors was "Millions Like Us," an original story about munition workers, and one of the best British films made during the war. Like many of the films of the time, it was influenced by the documentary approach. Entire sequences were shot in an Ordnance Factory. The background was not merely authentic scenery, it was an integral part of the story and of the characters' development. The picture had deep humanity, showing a cross section of typically British characters from all parts of the country. The humour was integrated with the whole, arising naturally out of the characters' reactions or out of situations, never inserted as conscious comic relief.

Now, they have attained a leading position in the British cinema. Here are Launder's ideas about how to make the type of picture at which they excel: "Get your thrills relieved and heightened by comedy, and above all, build them round real characters. In the past thrillers consisted of an exciting plot with card-board figures no one could really believe in. But it should be the other way round: create real characters, and then fasten the thrills around them. That is how 'I See A Dark Stranger' was

written, with a vivid central character in the Irish village girl, admirably played by Deborah Kerr.

Laughter And Self-Criticism

Authentic background and an impressive opening are equally important in building up a thriller. "Green For Danger" one of their latest successes is essentially an atmosphere film," says Gilliat. "It is a detective murder story, set in hospital during the flying bomb raids. We open with a model shot of the hospital, pan down through the roof into the operating theatre, and pick out the tense masked faces of each of the seven suspects working round the operating table. Straight-away you are in the atmosphere of the whole story." In this, as in all their films, Launder and Gilliat have made a deep study of the background, and have experts from the medical profession as advisers.

Behind the laughter and the wit in Launder and Gilliat's pictures there is always something thought-provoking. They never evade social comment where it is relevant, and they are never afraid of self-criticism. There is no bitterness in their satire because their appreciation of the humour and fun of life is spontaneous; nor is there any frivolity in it because their concern with social and moral issues is sincere.

Launder's next picture will be based on "Captain Boycott" by Philip Rooney. Gilliat's next will be based on Norman Collins' best-seller, "London Belongs To Me," a colourful story, now tragic, now wildly comic, about London and the true Londoner.

India And Goa

New Delhi, Nov. 7.

India has asked Britain to make representations to the Portuguese Government on her behalf over the recent detention in Goa—the Portuguese territory on the west coast of India—of the Congress Socialist leader Ram Mandohar Lohia. Mr. Hugh Weightman, the External Affairs Secretary, told the Central Legislative Assembly here today.

Mr. Weightman was replying to a question in the Lower House.

He said the Indian Government considered the arrest and detention of Lohia to be "a matter of importance."

The result of the representations to Portugal was now awaited and further action would depend on developments as well as on the legal advice obtained by the Government.

Lohia was arrested in June and released last month. He was forbidden to re-enter Portuguese India for five years.—Rupter.

BARCLAY ON BRIDGE

By Shepard Barclay
"The Authority on Authorities"

FALSE CARDS ANY SIZE

When the expression "false card" is used, most players think of it as meaning the play of a high one in order to convey the impression that certain lower ones are not held. There are variations, however, in which the play of a low card can be just as definitely a false card. An inclusive definition for a false card would be something like this: "Any card which is intended to cause an opponent to think your holding is different from what it really is."

S A 10
H K 9 7 4 3
D Q J 5 2
C K Q
S K J 9 6 3
H 10 8 2
D K 8 7 6 4
C None

S 7
H A Q 6
D 9 3
C A J 10 9 6 4 2

(Dealer: South, East-West vulnerable.)
South West North East
1C Pass 1H Pass
2C Pass 2D Pass
3C Pass 3H Pass
4H Pass 6C

Instead of the expected spade lead—on that bidding—North was charged to see West lead the diamond 8, and as dummy he visualized his partner losing two rapid tricks in that suit. But South proved equal to the emergency.

It was evident to South that West did not hold both the A and K, or he would have led one of them. Hence it was obvious that East had one or

CARNIVAL

By Dick Turner



"I haven't been able to get a date since this alone started—all the girls tell me the Navy is obsolete!"

The Crucial Problem Of Coal

Britain's coal problem is as sharp as a knife. It is a problem that is very sharp and clear, some of the outlines are etched in a kind of acid—those lines, for instance, named silicosis. Leaders on both sides, on players and men, see the coal problem for the crucial one it is.

"Given 50 million tons more we should be a well-to-do nation," said a coal-owner. Again, "Without enough coal we sink to a second-rate agricultural

By JAMES
LANSDALE HODSON

country," said a miners' leader. That extra 50 million tons is seen as an elusive gift of the gods, tantalising out of reach. Yet even that would be 50 million tons less than we took out of the earth when we had nearly half-a-million more men in and about the pits.

Coal Or Oil Controversy

Cardiff was our largest coal-shipping port. Speak of the Rhonda and you think of coal. Whether the Royal Navy should burn coal or oil was a grave topic in the Welsh valleys in colder days. Oil won; to Wales's regret. So it's natural that I should hear criticism of the plan to switch 1,300 heavy locomotives and, it's said, 1,000

factories, from coal to oil as fast as possible. "Defensism" a miners' leader called it. Tongues can be blunt as well as eloquent. And yet, if you can't get enough coal, what then? Six years ago, South Wales had 140,000 miners and output of saleable coal was 32,852,000 tons. A year later the miners were down to 105,000 (the difference gone into the Forces or scattered over England in other trades because coal exports had stopped and pits were shutting).

In January, 1945, we had 112,000 miners, 2,000 of them Bevin boys. Output in 1944 was 22,333,000 tons. Today the miners number 107,629, and although that is 500 higher than last December, the increase came from returned soldiers; you can't go on repeating that. Out, put last year was 20,469,000 tons, a drop since 1940 of 12 million tons in one coalfield.

We're now going to save a million tons by switching locomotives from coal to oil, and perhaps a further three million tons, by converting factories.

Some discern glimmers of light, however. An employer who is chairman or managing director of half-a-dozen South Wales companies spoke of a group of pits wherein he has persuaded the men to stop pooling their earnings and allow the individual man to be paid for the coal he cuts. Thereby the output per man-shift at the face has risen (he said), from two tons to three and he believes it will rise to five. He is proposing to install machinery at other pits which will, he trusts, treble output at the coalface.

Fewer Women At Work

Thirdly, he says hope in the fact that in many a household the miner's wagepacket has grown in importance because fewer women are going out to work. He spoke of economy in coal-using, of a coal-burner in his house which does better with five tons what formerly took 10 tons, said that when Britain, as a nation, burns her coal efficiently, she will extract as much power from 150 million tons as now takes 170 million. This theme is on men's lips: A Mayor asked me did I realise we sent a whole pharmacopoeia up the chimney, that we never get more than 80 per cent of the coal's value. All very true, no doubt, but the reforms are some way off; they won't all be achieved this winter.

Further grimmer: Figures from the South Wales Miners' Federation show output rising a little, reckoned by man-shift. In the first quarter of 1945 it was 16.27 cwt. a shift for all men employed; last quarter of 1945 17.35 cwt. This year during the first quarter 17.5 cwt. (The man at the face actually produces 48 to 51 cwt. a shift but it has to be spread over others not at the face).

Britain is, as a nation, taking more care of her industrial casualties. Men are encouraged to leave the pits as soon as disease becomes evident. They are compensated, and new factories are being built especially for them, a wise and right action since 80 per cent or more are fit for some form of industrial employment. In nine months to two years when all the factories are built, all fit to work will probably have jobs. Numbers, of course, are working already—77 in Merthyr Tydfil, 41 in Aberdare,

DRAMA IN PAINT

By JAMES LAVER

It is safe to say that not one person in a thousand, even among those interested in the arts, has the faintest idea of the wealth and variety of the Royal Collections. Some paintings everyone has seen, such as the Lely "Beauties" at Hampton Court; members of special bodies like the National Art Collections Fund have examined the pictures at Buckingham Palace; specialists have turned over the portfolios at Windsor.

Many Masterpieces

But in the show at Burlington House recently, H.M. the King graciously allowed a free choice to be made among all his collections, and the result, admirably arranged and magnificently catalogued by the Keeper of the King's Pictures, was a revelation.

The galleries are large, but the King's pictures filled them. There was no picture which was not interesting; the majority were splendid specimens of the work of the greatest painters.

Masterpieces jostled one another. It was impossible to take them in in anything less than half a dozen visits.

Not all our kings have cared for painting. George I it will be remembered "hated painting, and poetry, too." But those who have cared for it—namely Charles I and George IV—cared for it intensely. The unfortunate Charles was the greatest patron of all.

He accumulated Italian and Flemish pictures and he commissioned paintings by contemporary artists. As two of these bore the names of Rubens and Van Dyck, the level of the King's "modern" art was conspicuously high.

Splendid as the other pictures were it was probably the portraits—which, appealed to the public most—all our history was here, from Henry VIII onwards. Henry himself was represented by a painting by Josias van Cleve, and then began the magnificent series of Holbeins.

One of the most attractive, the "Young Man in Red," was taken away from Holbein and given to a "follower," but it was none the less a superb piece of work and brought the age vividly before us. Another anonymous "Painter Working in England" has left us perhaps the most moving portrait of Queen Elizabeth.

Guarded Lips

She is shown as a girl with watchful eyes and closely-guarded lips. They had reason to be for as long as Queen Mary lived a single false step would have brought Elizabeth to the block.

Then we have the first Duke of Buckingham, the "golden boy" of the golden light; and the touching portrait of the three children of Charles I. And the great oval with trees, containing, almost incidentally, the Duke of Cumberland and two ladies, and the first sketch for Gainsborough's "Perdita," and the Lawrence portrait of Castlereagh, with the melancholy, suicidal eyes.

There were enough pictures there, supreme from the interest of their subjects or from the intoxication of sheer technique, to keep the mind and imagination living for months. This was one of the most remarkable exhibitions ever shown in London.

MILCH TO BE TRIED

Hamburg, Nov. 7. The British News Service in Germany stated today that a special trial has been arranged for Field Marshal Erhard Milch, the former Nazi Under Secretary of State for Air, within the framework of the coming Nuremberg trials. Field Marshal Milch was, after Goering, the most important man in the German Air Force. He gave evidence at the previous Nuremberg trial of the major war criminals.—Rupter.

567 in Mountain Ash. All this is different from the past when pneumoconiosis was not pensionable, and men feared having a medical examination lest they be pronounced unfit to work, and kept on working till far gone. We're dealing with a grievous legacy, and while our enlightened action is not getting coal out of the pits now, later on it may, for these lung diseases are a mighty deterrent to new recruits or sons of miners and we have to convince men that (a) dust will be prevented—much is being done to that end; and (b) that victims will be provided for.

PRESIDENT TRUMAN TO STAY

Resignation Impossible Under Constitution

Foreign Comment On Election

Washington, Nov. 7.

President Truman will not resign, informed quarters stated today. The President has not even seriously considered such a step, it was stated. One member of the President's staff told Reuter: "It would be impossible under the constitution for the President to name his successor. The people of the country elect the President of the United States, and there is no other way in which he can take office."

Those who have talked with President Truman say that he is much concerned over the possible reaction abroad to the sweeping Republican victory at the polls, and he is likely to do everything within his power to emphasize that both parties have the support of the country on foreign policy.

The "Washington Post," which has in the past strongly supported the Democratic Administration, suggested today that President Truman should name a new Cabinet of Republicans for all portfolios except that of the State Department.

Last Resort
The paper added: "Nothing less than the naming of Republicans to all other Cabinet offices will suffice to grapple with the new situation created by the Republican landslide."

The "Washington Post" also commented: "Not for a moment do we believe the President will listen to the call for his resignation, except as a last resort."

The Republican "New York Sun" stated that the resignation proposal was not worthy of prolonged discussion—Reuter.

Soviet Reaction
Moscow, Nov. 8.—"Pravda," commenting on the Republican Party sweep in the United States, said: "He who squanders political capital acquired by Roosevelt naturally cannot receive interest on this capital."

"Pravda" said that the election proved the present foreign policy was really that of the Republicans—Associated Press.

Vote For Byrnes?
Paris, Nov. 8.—The newspaper of President Foreign Minister Georges Bidault's M. R. P. Party yesterday interpreted the American election results as a vote "for Byrnes against Wallace."

The Party organ "L'Aube" said that United States Secretary of State James F. Byrnes was "the great victor in the elections" while the "Munich-like proposals" of former U.S. Commerce Secretary Henry Wallace "was in a great part responsible for the defeat of the Democratic Party."

Like most French papers, it viewed the GOP (Grand Old Party) triumph as reinforcing America's stiffened attitude toward Russia and assured its readers that the Republican victory did not mean a return to isolationism.—Associated Press.

1918 Again?
London, Nov. 7.—To the outside world the significance of the election might be summed up in a single question: "Is this 1918 all over again?" says the Independent "Economist," commenting on the Republican victory in the United States elections.

"On the domestic side there seems to be little doubt that the pattern has repeated itself," the journal says. "This autumn's election campaign has exhibited the same irritation and weariness which reformed the Senate and the House in 1918 and put Harding into the White House in 1920."

"In 1918, the New Deal has become as much a part of history as Wilson's new freedom. The election has shown the catchwords of a generation ago—serenity, normalcy, a lesser fare—still appeal to a country weary of the peace set by Roosevelt both in peace and war."

Negative Power
"But this time, the reversal which was so catastrophically complete in 1920, steps short of foreign policy. Here, 1946 is emphatically not 1920 brought up to date."

"For the present, the Republicans have won only negative power. Even if they had a constructive programme, the next two years would not bear its imprint. The channels of legislation are always hard to negotiate under the American system, and will become even more hazardous under an arrangement which retains the President of a party already discredited, while legislation is drawn from the triumphant ranks of the opposition."

"Truman's name must now be added to the melancholy list of Taft, Wilson and Hoover. The Republicans will enjoy an effective veto on public affairs of every description."

Smaller Men
"Normally, there would be no doubt of Truman's ability to secure the Democratic nomination if he wanted it, but his short term of office, has seen such a drastic deterioration of Democratic fortunes that, he may feel that his retirement will be the best contribution he can make to their reconstruction."

"The comparative stability of American policy during the last 14 years, has been due to the fact that one of the great progressive tides of American history coincided with the emergence of a leader who knew where he was going, and was sufficiently skilled in handling issues and men to secure life tenure of the White House."

"In this respect, the election of 1946 signals a return, to more normal conditions, to smaller men and rapid changes that are historically characteristic of the American form of Government. There is nothing that the outside world can do about it. But the end of positive American leadership is a fact that must inevitably enter into every calculation, political and economic.—Reuter.

UNCHANGABLE

London, Nov. 7.—Mr. Winston Churchill, receiving the Freedom of the Borough of St. Paul, at his London home tonight, made this comment on the American election:

"It does not matter what Government or party comes into power in the United States, or what Government or party comes into power in the British Isles. Always enduring friendship and brotherhood between the leading elements of the English-speaking world will stand together as unbreakable—a bulwark against all that might menace freedom or close the path of progress to mankind.—Reuter.

Arabs An Asset To World

Baghdad, Nov. 8.—Major-General Sir Edward Spears, former British Minister to Syria and the Lebanon, and chairman of the British All-Party Middle East Parliamentary Committee, said on Wednesday that he was convinced that the strength of the Arab world was an asset of great importance for the world today.

Describing his visit as private, Sir Edward added: "I think that the charter of the Arab League provides the basis of Arab unity. I think that close cooperation between the Arab countries is the likeliest way to ensure peace in the Middle East. If this is achieved, the major British interest will be satisfied."

"I am convinced that the cause of the Palestine Arabs was greatly strengthened by the London round table conference. I thought the Arab proposals were very reasonable and impressed a large section of the British public," he continued.

After referring to Anglo-Iraq friendship, Sir Edward concluded: "The question of Russian interests in the Middle East is a very debatable."—Associated Press.

Shipped Car To Jersey
London, Nov. 8.—Gustav Benneche, 33, a chemist, was yesterday sentenced to four months imprisonment for stealing a car which he shipped to Jersey and attempted to sell.

A detective giving evidence at the West End London police court said that Benneche, a Norwegian according to his own story, was an active member of the underground movement in Norway.

His left hand was practically useless because of injuries caused, he said, by the Germans making a practice of treading on the fingers of the prisoners. Benneche said he had been interned in 1941 for his underground activities.

The magistrate recommended Benneche, for deportation and, in addition, sentenced him to prison for one month on each of two other charges, the sentences to run concurrently.—Associated Press.

NEW TRADE AGREEMENT
Paris, Nov. 8.—A French-Austrian trade agreement was signed yesterday at the French Foreign Office. Concluded for one year, it is renewable by mutual consent and will be effective from November 10.

France is to export cars, steel products, chemical products and radio equipment of a total value of 900,000,000 francs.

Austria is to export wood, magnesium, machines and prefabricated houses of a total value of 1,000,000,000 francs.—Associated Press.

U.S. STAYING THERE
Frankfurt, Nov. 8.—General Joseph T. McNamery, told a news conference yesterday that the United States would never pull out of Germany, as long as "other powers" maintained occupation forces, or supervisory personnel in the conquered Reich.

"Unilaterally," the United States Army's European commander said, "we will not leave Germany."—Associated Press.

TRUSTEESHIP SYSTEM SUGGESTED BY U.S.

Lake Success, N.Y., Nov. 7.

The United States today submitted to the United Nations Trusteeship Committee a four-point proposal "which would permit the establishment of the trusteeship system, giving the inhabitants of the trust territories the benefit of that system."

The United States delegate, Mr. John Dulles, urged:—
1. Establishment of a small sub-committee to consider draft trusteeship agreements which will be submitted.

2. All interested states to be given the opportunity to submit their suggestions to the sub-committee and the mandatory power involved.

3. The mandatory power concerned is to advise the sub-committee on acceptability of these suggestions.

4. Agreements reflecting any such modifications to be approved, or disapproved, by the Trusteeship Committee and referred to the General Assembly.

Willing To Join
Mr. Dulles told the committee that "the United States is willing to join in accepting a system of equality and is not asserting a special position in relation to the agreements. We believe that history will not judge kindly any who took a position which would block the establishment of the trusteeship system."

He added that the United States believed that most of the draft terms of trusteeship submitted were generally satisfactory.

The Trusteeship Committee meeting adjourned until Saturday afternoon—Reuter.

If Plan Fails
Lake Success, N.Y., Nov. 8.—The United States has served notice it will retain control of the mandated Pacific Islands taken from Japan if the United Nations finally reject the American plan for a limited United Nations supervision.

John Foster Dulles, United States alternate delegate, informed the Trusteeship Committee of the United States offer and later told newsmen in effect that the United States would keep possession of the islands.

"If the proposal fails, the administration continues in de facto status under the control of the present administering authority," Dulles said.

Some newsmen suggested this might be termed a "take it or leave it" condition but Dulles did not agree with that interpretation.—Associated Press.

Tsaldaris: Vote Of Confidence
Athens, Nov. 7.—The Greek Parliament today, after three days of stormy debate and tempestuous all-night sittings, passed a vote of confidence by 183 votes to 128 in the new Cabinet formed by Mr. Constantinos Tsaldaris, the R. Y. list Premier.

The new Cabinet was formed on Monday after the failure of a two-weeks' talk on the broadening of the Government and Opposition leaders.

During the debates, speakers on both sides of the House sharply attacked Mr. Tsaldaris for his former Cabinet's domestic and foreign policy.

A motion from 30 Deputies, inviting the Parliament to urge the formation of a coalition "Government of Salvation" was abandoned when Mr. Tsaldaris asked for a vote of confidence.—Reuter.

Imagination Wanted
Princeton, Nov. 8.—A plea that American scientists in universities should return to the pre-war practice of using the full play of their imaginations was made at the opening of the Princeton University bicentennial by Dr. I. Rabi, Columbia University physicist and Nobel prize winner.

Rabi held that this free imagination which produced the atomic bomb and the nuclear power of the future is one of the most important of the future, whatever happens in politics.

During the war, he said, basic research was almost abolished in the universities, and the United States now has a vastly reduced reservoir of trained graduate students in science, who should be the future's main hope in scientific progress.—Associated Press.

CEYLON TEA
London, Nov. 7.—Tea traders here express doubts of the possible resumption of tea auctions in Ceylon on January 1, 1947.

The doubts are based mainly on the fact that all the tea manufactured in Ceylon up to the end of this year had already been sold, which renders it very difficult for sales to be resumed at least on the specified date.

At least a month is expected to elapse before sufficient tea can be manufactured to begin sales at Colombo.—Reuter.

ANSON CRASH

Hamburg, Nov. 8.—Eight persons are believed to have been killed when an Anson aircraft flying from Germany to Scotland crashed near Hamm yesterday morning, an official announcement said.

Seven bodies have been recovered from the wreckage. The plane carried a crew of four and four passengers.—Associated Press.

SEAMEN REFUSE TO LEAVE

Cardiff, Nov. 7.

Thirty-five Greek seamen aboard a vessel in Cardiff docks today refused to leave because they claimed that under Greek law when a ship changes her flag the crew is entitled to two months full pay and free passage back to Greece.

The vessel is the former German-owned "Kalami" which was handed to the Greek Government under a time charter during the war but now reverts to Britain under the name "Empire Thames."

Her captain has taken over another command and all the officers have been found other berths, but the men claim that £2,000 is due to them in wages and say they will resist all efforts to put them ashore until the money is paid.

The men point out they cannot claim the money in a British court. They say the Greek Port Officer admitted their claim but said he could do nothing for them.

A British firm was due to take over the vessel this afternoon but cannot do so until the matter is cleared up.—Reuter.

Tito Proposal Rejected

Rome, Nov. 8.

The Italian Government has rejected the reported proposal of Marshal Tito to Palmiro Togliatti, Communist Italian leader, to leave Trieste to Italy if Gorizia is ceded to Yugoslavia.

The Yugoslav proposal was reported by Togliatti on his return from conference in Belgrade.

A communique issued by the Italian Government said: "Italy cannot consider the cession of Yugoslavia of Gorizia, an integral part of Italian territory and as such recognized unanimously by the Big Four."

The communique was made public after a meeting of the Cabinet. The communique reiterated the Italian position that the Yugoslav-Italian boundary should be drawn on ethnic lines with recourse to plebiscite in areas where the proposed frontier was disputed.—Associated Press.

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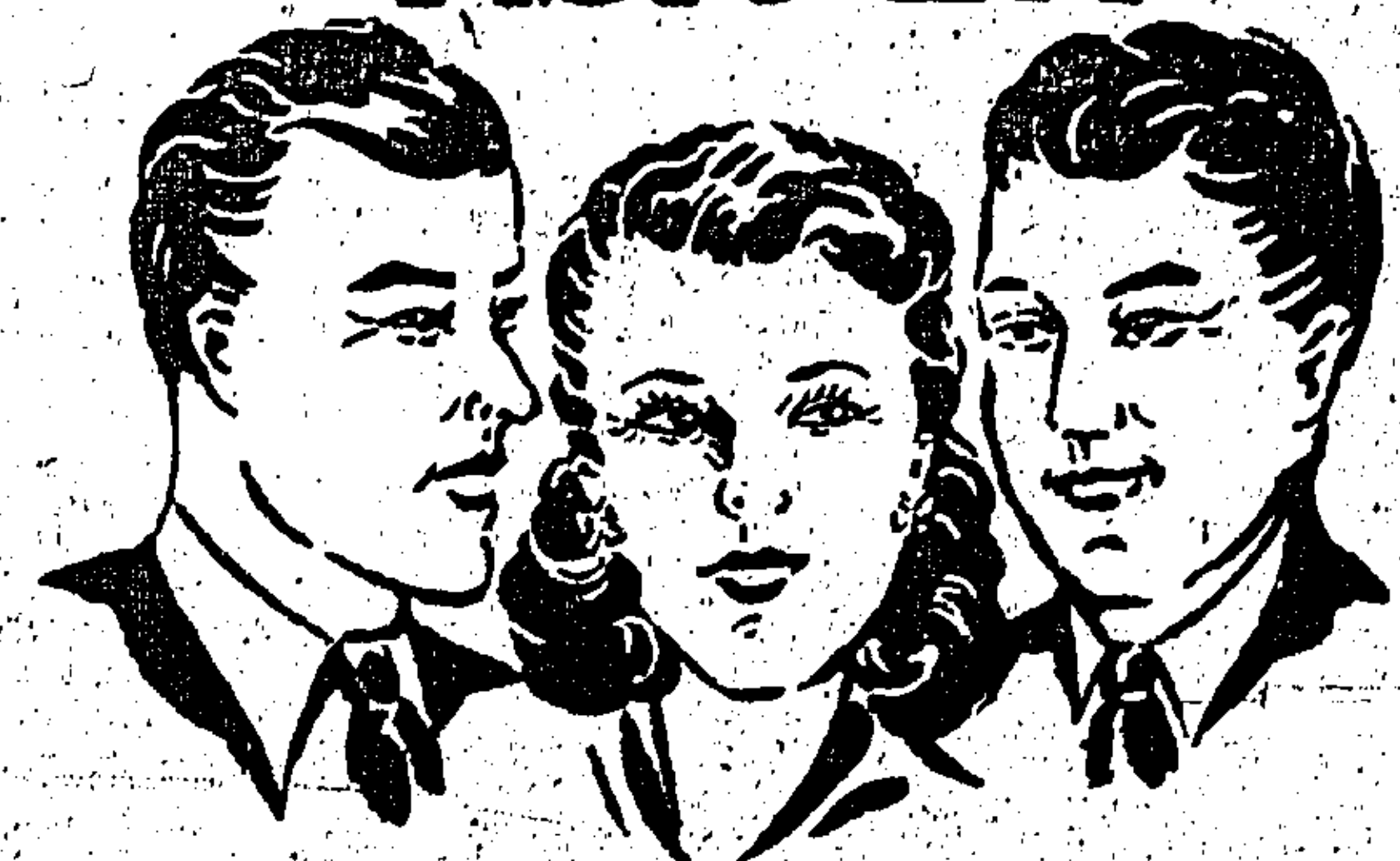
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BRITAIN CLAMPS DOWN ON REFUGEE INFLUX

(By Fraser Wighton)

London, Nov. 7.

While urgent talks were going on today in London and Washington to prevent a catastrophic food crisis overwhelming the British zone in Germany, it was announced in Frankfurt that no more refugees are to be received into the British zone until further notice.

An official spokesman said that the British zone authorities were always without papers—of more concern to her than the fears expressed by Britain on the consequences which might arise from the presence of refugee camps near the South of France ports like Marseilles.—Reuter.

In London, Mr. Clement Attlee, Mr. John Hume (Minister responsible for the British zone) and Marshal of the Royal Air Force, Sir Sholto Douglas (Commander-in-Chief of the British zone) discussed the problem for half an hour before Mr. Hume and Sir Sholto went on to a second conference called by the Allied Control Commission.

Serious Not Urgent

Authoritative quarters described the position as extremely serious, but not being as urgent as some reports suggested. The crisis, which has suddenly arisen, is due almost entirely to the non-arrival of grain ships in October because of the American shipping strike and urgent negotiations have already begun in Washington to increase supplies of wheat from the United States above those already arranged for. Mr. Ernest Bevin is understood to be awaiting the opportunity to make representations to President Truman, armed with Cabinet authorisation, to approach the whole question of world food shortage.—Reuter.

German Statement

Frankfurt, Nov. 7. No more refugees are to be received in the British zone of Germany until further notice. The State Commissioner for Refugees and Deportees in Bavaria announced today the immediate cessation of the transport of refugees to the British zone, Dana, the German News Agency in the U.S. zone reported.

The Commissioner explained the British zone was at present unable to absorb further transports of evacuees but all intended evacuees for the British zone were for the time being to receive rations and relief in Bavaria and retain their accommodation and working permits until further notice. Evacuation to the French zone continues, it was added.—Reuter.

Refugees From U.S. Zone

Rheims, Nov. 7. France will bring up the question of the periodic arrival on the French frontier of Jewish refugees from the United States zone of Germany at the forthcoming Anglo-French-United States talks on the traffic of Jewish refugees, highest official quarters here stated today.

Delegates Without Authority

The Hague, Nov. 7.

The Dutch delegates in Batavia, now negotiating on the future of Indonesia, cannot finally commit the Dutch Parliament on decisions requiring a permanent legal basis, a Dutch Government memorandum to Parliament stated today.

The special commission now in the Dutch East Indies, it was explained, has full powers on day-to-day matters of policy. Other matters would be submitted to Parliament as a bill.

The memorandum added that the distinction hitherto made in the negotiations in Batavia between Mr. Soekarno, the Indonesian President, and Dr. Sutan Sjahrir, the Premier, would not be abandoned.

Dr. Soekarno, who took over the full powers of the Indonesian Government early this year and handed them back to the Cabinet formed by Dr. Sjahrir in August, has not been taking part in the negotiations owing, he announced officially, to "ill-health."

A Government statement made in the memorandum to the Dutch Parliament, declared: "The Government no longer considers it conducive to fruitful consultation to maintain a distinction between Dr. Sjahrir, who could be included in the discussions, and Dr. Soekarno, who could not."

"Since the Indonesian Republic is a fact of political reality at the present moment, the Government accepts its organisation as it is. Effort to realise a practical agreement must take precedence over preference for certain persons"—Reuter.

British Trade With Egypt

London, Nov. 7.

The British Secretary for Overseas Trade, Mr. H. A. Marquand, said in a speech at the dinner meeting of the Anglo-Egyptian Chamber of Commerce here tonight that though the stability of trade might perhaps be achieved by isolation, "neither Britain nor Egypt could afford isolation."

Mr. Marquand declared he was glad to know that quite a good deal of the Egyptian industries' expansion is likely to be upon the basis of Anglo-Egyptian partnership, especially in the initial work of improving power and water supplies. It was perfectly right and natural that in this period of progress and development, Egyptians should feel it necessary to protect themselves from the exploitation of their population by foreign interests—as a good Socialist he hoped, indeed, that they would think of the right to protect their people from all exploitation, whether foreign or Egyptian. But he hoped that in doing so they would not make it difficult or impossible for Britain to help them with their development.

"The time will come, no doubt, when we will have to consider together the question of those sterling balances which Egypt accumulated during the war, as part of her contribution to the Allied war effort. That effort cannot be considered to be over until the world has stabilised itself upon a democratic basis"—Reuter.

GETTING TIPS

Hollywood, Nov. 8. A British delegation sent by J. Arthur Rank is studying American theatre operation in search of ideas adaptable to Rank's theatres in England. The Party, representing Gaumont-British, will spend five weeks surveying Fox West Coast theatres.—Associated Press.

CANADA'S NAVY

Toronto, Nov. 7.

Vice-Admiral R. B. Reith, Chief of the Canadian Naval Staff, said at Bristol, Quebec, today, that Canada's post-war naval force was insufficient to protect her coast.

"The United States Navy plans a post-war strength of 600,000 men," he said. "Our population is 1/12th of theirs and you can figure out the arithmetic yourself." He said that a peacetime force of 10,000 men would probably be filled by Spring.—Reuter.

Burmese Demand Equality

Rangoon, Nov. 7.

The All-Burma Dobama Asiayone (Burma for Burmans Party) headed by Teagkin Basain) which concluded a three-day session here today, demanded the scrapping of the White Paper and the granting to Burma of equality of status and privileges with India.

The conference passed a resolution urging the British Government to proclaim Burma a self-governing country, to include the tribal areas in Burma proper and set up a Constituent Assembly comprising representatives of the Burmese people to frame a new constitution for Burma.

Another resolution demanded "purchase by the Government of all agricultural lands at present owned by foreign landowners, to be contributed to landless Burmese cultivators."

Major-General Aung Sang, Minister for Defence and External Affairs, is leaving Rangoon next week on a tour of Upper Burma.—Reuter.

Nazi Steel King To Be Tried

Frankfurt, Nov. 8.

Hermann Roehling, leading German industrialist of the Saar region, convicted of war crimes after the first world war by the French Government, was transferred from Frankfurt to Nuernberg yesterday at the request of the Nuernberg authorities preparing the new war crimes trials.

French de-cartellisation officials in Frankfurt said they believed the 74-year old steel tube manufacturer, who escaped French justice only to be captured by the Americans last year, would be tried by the United States in the Nazi industrialists trial early next year.

The United States authorities, however, refused to confirm that Roehling would face an American court and one official said he might be turned back to the French.

Roehling was tried in absentia by the French Government after the first world war for destroying French factories in the Lorraine area and moving their machinery to Germany. French officials here said he was given 10 years imprisonment, a heavy fine, and was forbidden to enter France. In a request in 1942, the Belgian Government of German-occupied France repudiated the sentence.

Roehling was rearrested in December 1945 by the American authorities in Heidelberg and was jailed until May 1946 when he was released. He was rearrested recently and detained in Frankfurt by the United States de-cartellisation branch which turned him over to the Nuernberg authorities yesterday.—Associated Press.

Slovenes Protest

Trieste, Nov. 7.

Slovene villagers streamed into Gorizia, chief town in northern Venezia, today to protest against the requisitioning by the United States 88th Division of the headquarters of the local pro-Yugoslav organisation.

Under the draft Italian peace treaty Gorizia will be Italian. The first notice the organisation had was when the United States military police arrived yesterday morning with requisitioning orders, giving 24 hours' notice to leave.

The order said that the building was required for military needs. At noon today there were still 30 people in the building and also large piles of documents stated to belong to the local pro-Yugoslav "Shadow Government." If the documents are not removed by tonight, it is believed they will be seized by the Allied military authorities.—Reuter.

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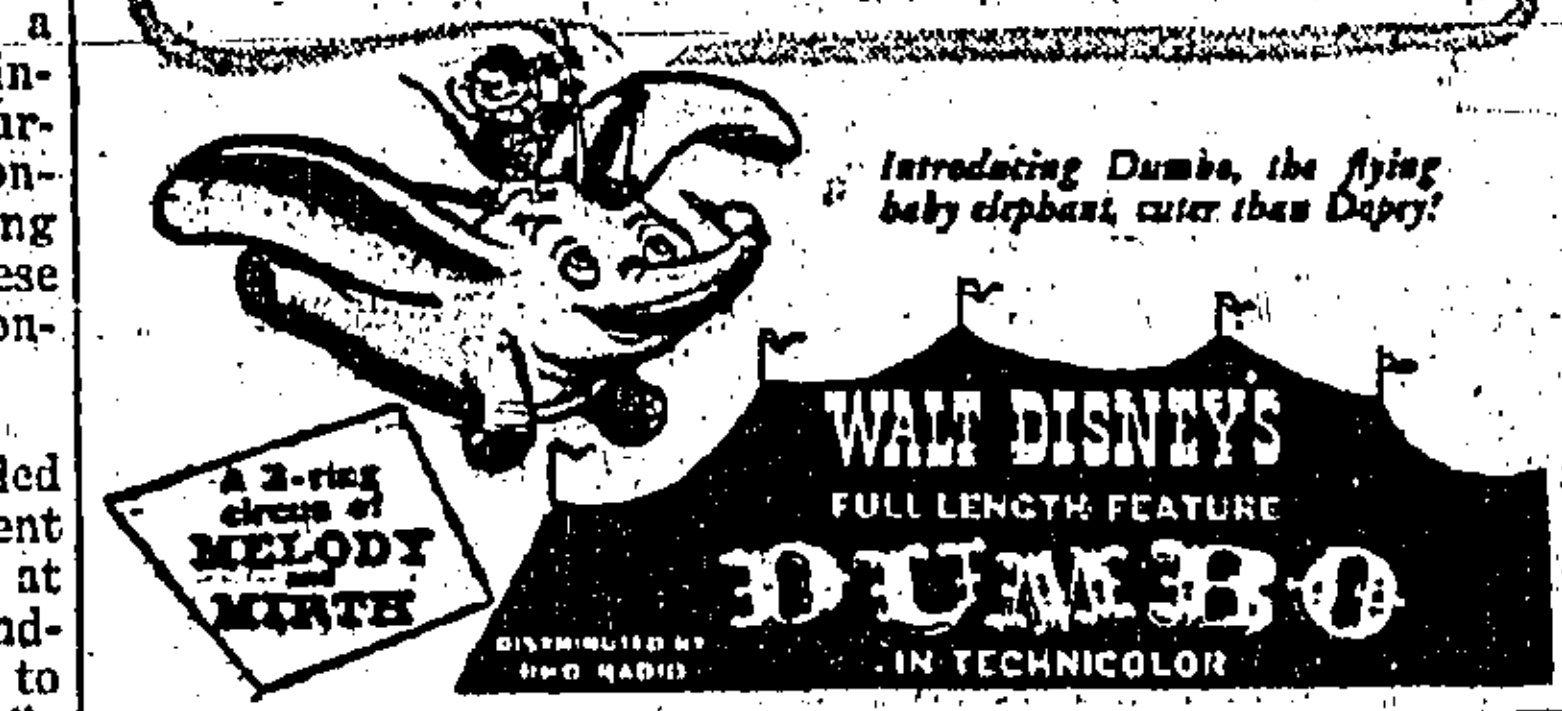
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(By James Devlin)

N.Y. Stock Market

New York, Nov. 8. Selected rails, steels, utilities and industrials engineered a recovery move in the stock market, but exceptions were plentiful and the revival was relatively quiet. There were a series of dips and rallies in the wake of yesterday's post election slump. In the final hour extreme advances of fractions to three points or so were reduced in most cases.

Plus signs held the majority at the close. Transfers were around 1,200,000 shares against the previous day's 2,000,000. In front were Southern Pacific, Great Northern, Santa Fe, Southern Railway, Chesapeake and Ohio, U.S. Steel, Youngstown Sheet, Chrysler, U.S. Rubber, Goodyear, General Electric and Philip Morris. The demand was attributed by brokers partly to the idea the list has been oversold. Dividends and earnings were helpful. The widely shifting cotton and grain futures put the brakes on sentiment.

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The United States zone of Germany was yesterday opened to American businessmen and others with dollar credits to buy German industrial products. General Joseph T. McNarney, United States Military Governor for Germany, told a press conference.

"One way of lessening the burden on United States citizens and at the same time giving them something in return through exports from the limited but increasing supply of goods now being turned out by German factories in the American zone," he said.

McNarney said that he expected exports from the zone to aggregate between \$20,000,000 and \$25,000,000 (5,000,000 and 6,250,000 Pounds) during the current fiscal year.

He said foreign buyers were also welcome.

Foreign Buyers Welcome

Products from the U.S. zone have already been exported to Britain, Czechoslovakia and the Netherlands, he added.

Exchanges In London

London, Nov. 7. On New York 4,025, 4,035, Montreal 4,02, 4,04, Zurich 17,34, 17,36, Stockholm 14,47, 14,50, Buenos Aires, unquoted, Brazil 75,416, Brazil (sellers) unquoted, Uruguay unquoted, Belgium 176,75, Paris and French Empire 479,50, 480,30, Syria 881, 885, Lisbon 99,80, 100,20, Swiss Bank Notes 99,80, 100,20, Swiss Bank Notes 99,80, 100,20, Netherlands West Indies 7,58, Netherlands East Indies 10,68, 10,70, Holland 10,58, Panama 4,02, 4,04, Denmark 19,32, 19,36, Prague 201, 202, Norway 19,95, 20,02, Palestine 99 1/2, 100 1/2.

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New York Exchanges

New York, Nov. 7. American A/C Sterling 4,034, 4,036, American A/C Sterling 3 Months 4,037-7/16, 4,039, 9/16 On Sweden 27,82, 27,84, France 84 1/2, 84 1/2, Switzerland (Official) 24.00, 24.25, Switzerland (Free) 24.70, 24.90, Spain 925 offered, Portugal 4,046, 4,06a, Australia 3,32 1/2, New Zealand 3,25, South Africa 3,03 1/2, British East Africa 20,50, India 30,29, Shanghai 33,50, Argentina (Official) 29,77, Argentina (Free) 29,77, Brazil 5,46, Bolivia (Official) 2,00, Bolivia (Free) 2,58, Chile (Official) 5,16, Chile (Free) 3,25, Chile (Export) 4,50, Colombia 56,58, Cuba 100, Ecuador 7,60, Guatemala 100, Holland 37,78, Mexico 20,57, 20,61, Peru 15,50 offered, Uruguay 57,00, 56,50, Venezuela 29,00, Netherlands West Indies 23,05, Montreal on London 4,02, Montreal on New York 95,125, Swiss Bank Notes rate 32,00, 33,00, Belgium Franc 2,28, 2,28 1/2. —Reuters.

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Pacific Defence Programme

Honolulu, Nov. 8.

The U.S. Navy High Command is studying its entire Pacific defence programme (including Guam) with a view to revising plans for post-war construction along "realistic and economic lines," Pacific Fleet Commander Admiral John H. Towers declared today.

Towers is one of the group of naval officers who believe that the Navy as well as the Federal Government is facing inevitable peacetime retrenchment.

Building Guam into a strong naval outpost guarding the United States from attack from the west is the immediate goal of the Pacific Command. But Towers said that the programme he favoured would cost only a fraction of the \$1,000,000,000 which some sources have estimated would be spent in the next five years to build Guam into "another Pearl Harbour."

Proposed Plan

Navy Chiefs in Washington have before them a proposed plan which calls for the construction on Guam of limited peacetime needs, but with basic construction which will permit a quick expansion of naval facilities in the event of emergency.

The greatest needs on Guam today are adequate cold storage transit sheds for handling freight, permanent quarters for personnel, permanent ship repair facilities, hospital facilities, and a power plant, Admiral Towers said.

He explained: "Before the end of the war, it was decided to develop a big naval and air base on Guam and the war proved definitely it is necessary for the Navy to have a major base in the Pacific west of Hawaii if it is to be in a position to support Government policies and, if necessary, to engage in hostilities."

Before the war, plans were drawn for construction work on Guam which would have cost \$500,000,000 but Congress appropriated only \$5,000,000 for improvements of Guam harbour and the construction of a breakwater.

Improvise

Under the pressure of war, the Navy was compelled to improvise on the base by the installation of temporary facilities.

Indications are that the U.S. Navy will not press for a programme as ambitious as before the war, but will concentrate first on the development of Guam Harbour by dredging, bulkheading and filling. When completed, Towers said, the harbour could probably handle 500 ships in an emergency, assuring the United States of an "unbroken pipeline" of ships and supplies.—Associated Press.

H.K. Goldsmiths Have The Jitters

Local goldsmiths who were recently given the "jitters" when armed desperadoes made it more or less a daily routine to enter their shops and demand the "loan" of a few gold rings at the point of an automatic, have not been permitted to rest in peace, notwithstanding the employment of guards armed with rifles.

Gangsters have recently begun a campaign of sending threatening letters to goldsmith shops along Queen's Road Central, demanding "protection money."

Interviewed by the "China Mail" yesterday, the proprietors of more than 12 well-known goldsmith shops confirmed that they had received letters demanding varying sums, starting with \$3,000. The recipients were warned to be careful if they failed to "come across" with the sum demanded, and were instructed to advertise their acceptance.

Recipients of the letters immediately reported the matter to the Police.

Shortly after 2 p.m. yesterday, a note in one of the shops which had received a threatening letter, noticed a parcel on the counter. When this was opened, it was found to contain a powder-like substance. Becoming alarmed, the shop-people immediately telephoned the Police.

Enquiries by the "China Mail" of Police Headquarters elicited the surprising information that the Police had "no knowledge" of threatening letters being received by goldsmiths.

U.S. PLAYING DOUBLE GAME?

Paris, Nov. 8.

The United States is accused of playing a double game by wanting colonies for itself while wishing to deny them to others in an article today in the French radical newspaper "L'Ordre."

Referring to President Truman's statement that "the United States is essential to the security of the world," the article said: "We cannot help being surprised when we see the United States, which is so opposed to colonialism where others are concerned, shows itself in such a different light where it is itself concerned."

"On one side a campaign to undermine the colonial empires on the other side a campaign to found a colonial empire—it is truly what one calls a double game,"—Reuter.

CHICAGO WHEAT

Chicago, Nov. 7.

Wheat rallied and moved ahead in the grain pits after falling sharply at the opening.

The rally was helped by trade reports from New York that Britain was seeking large quantities of American wheat and flour.

Wheat finished 1 1/2 to 1 cent higher, January \$2.05 1/2, March \$1.97, May \$1.90, July \$1.79.

Corn finished 1/2 to 1 1/2 higher. Oats were 1/4 lower to 1/2 higher.—Associated Press.

Sentence Of 495 Days In Jail

Washington, Nov. 6.

A Washington auto driver drew a 495-day jail sentence in court on charges of committing 34 traffic offences in 10 minutes.

Police charged the driver, William H. Burton aged 37, with—

Passing 15 red lights and nine stop signs; disregarding four official signs; speeding; driving on the wrong side of the street twice; driving through a safety zone; and failing to slow down for an intersection and driving without a permit.

Judge George D. Neill fined Burton \$1,375 and sent him to jail when he was unable to pay the fine.

Seven police cars and a motor cycle pointed in the chase after Burton, through downtown Washington at 6:30 a.m.—Associated Press.

"Curfew" Lifted

Jerusalem, Nov. 8.

The Jewish underground organisation, Irgun Zvai Leumi, said in a manifesto issued today at Tel-Aviv that it was "lifting its curfew" against British soldiers by halting the wave of road mining incidents, but said it planned to continue attacks on military targets.

The manifesto said: "No more attacks will be made on traffic on highways" since the termination of nightly road curfew two days ago which had restricted roads at night to military vehicles.

Meanwhile, it was learned that a British police commission headed by Sir Charles Hicks, had arrived in Palestine to investigate the strength of both Jewish and Arab armed groups. The commission was reportedly manned by Scotland Yard personnel.—Associated Press.

LONDON SILVER & GOLD

London, Nov. 7.

Silver, Spot, per fine oz. 55 1/2, Silver, Forward per fine oz. 55 1/2, Bar Gold, Fine, oz. 172 3/4.—Reuter.

LONDON DISCOUNT RATES

London, Nov. 7.

Day to Day Loan 1/2 per cent. Short Money 1/4 to 1/2 Bank Bills, 3 Months 17/32, Bank Bills, 6 Months 9/16 to 1, Fine Trade Bills, 3 Months 1 to 1 1/2, Fine Trade Bills, 6 Months 1 1/2 to 2 1/2, Treasury Bills, 2 Months 1/2 to 17/32, Treasury Bills, 3 Months 1/2 to 17/32.—Reuter.

BOMBAY SILVER & GOLD

Bombay, Nov. 7.

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N.Y. COTTON

New York, Nov. 8.

Another wave of hedging and commission-house liquidation hit the cotton futures market in the late dealings which dropped March, May and July deliveries back to the maximum trading decline of 10 dollars a bale lower. Futures closed \$5.70 to \$5.90 a bale lower.

Dec. 28-10-15, March 27-48-58, May 27-16, July 26-12, Oct. 23-60, Dec. 23-16-20, March 1948 22-50, Middling spot 28-70 nominal.

New Orleans cotton futures closed a steady eight dollars and 81 cents to 10 dollars a bale lower.

Dec. 27-90, March 27-47, May 27-12, July 25-66, Oct. 23-22-25.—Associated Press.

INCOME TAX SLASH?

Washington, Nov. 8.

A 20 per cent (or \$3,000,000,000) slash in 1947 individual income taxes was forecast by Representative Harold Knott, Republican of Minnesota. He said that the Republicans will press a separate bill reducing the excise tax list, which now includes liquor, jewellery, furs, cosmetics and many other luxury items.

A top Government official said that there would be no slackening of price and wage control in the wake of an administration's election debacle.

Even as the OPA posted higher prices for many infant and children cotton garments, and some other clothing items, this official told newsmen that the "chances are better than fifty-fifty" that price controls on all wearing apparel and textile would be removed "very soon." — Associated Press.

Holiday Girl Foiled The Nazis

London, Nov. 7.

A young English woman who went to Budapest for a summer holiday in 1938, became a teacher of English and remained throughout the German occupation, has received the King's Commendation for Brave Conduct for helping Allied soldiers to escape.

She is Miss Evelyn Gore-Symes, 26, of Arlington-road, Twickenham.

Miss Gore-Symes lived in Budapest in a four-floor flat overlooking the central police station. Three floors below the German SS set up their office.

When the Germans captured the city two escaped British officers, who had been interned by the Hungarians, asked her help. She fed and clothed them and found them false papers. "That is how it began," she said yesterday, "and then one by one others trickled in."

Soon she became one of a team of clandestine workers, British, Dutch, French and Hungarians, who found clothes, food and forged credentials for Allied soldiers hiding in the city.

As she was allowed to move about freely, Miss Gore-Symes was able to get black market food with money given by Hungarian friends. She obtained a bicycle and started a small arms and grenade running system. Several cigarette cases were given by her to members of the group as special code passes.

Members promised to return them as soon as possible after the war. She showed me two yesterday. The first had come from Hungary and the other from New Zealand.

"Without the help of many Hungarian friends I could not have done all I did," said Miss Gore-Symes. "They gave me money and the War Office has seen that all have been thanked and reimbursed."

She is now working at the foreign visitors' department of the British Council.

Press v. Referees

The following have been selected to represent the Press in the soccer match against Referees on Monday:

Tam. Moon, Cheung, Tang Kwong Wan, Cheung Ngan Hoi, Leung In Chan, Au Hoi (Captain), Channing, Yee King Kong, Chan Kwong Wing, Chan Wah Sun, Lau Hec Man and Lai Yu Kuen.

Reserves: Wong Sik Man, Lok Tak Hon, Cheung Po Hang.

Manager: A. M. Omar.

New Team

As the Press will be fielding a stronger side than at first expected by the Referees, the latter have now made several changes in their side.

The new team is as follows: Roberts; Leung Yuk-tong and Lai Yuk-tat; Guest, England and Young; Delgado, Lawrence, Ip (Capt.), Xavier and Rogers.

Manager: Chan King-ta.

Reserves: Barretto, Tsang King-hong and Kwok Si-yuen.

Players are requested to report to the team manager not later than 2.15 p.m. on Monday in the dressing room.

Good Soccer Prospects

Two good soccer games should be witnessed on the Club ground during the week-end when the two leading Chinese teams will be opposed to the two best Commando sides.

45 Commando will receive their first real test today when they play Sing Tao. 45 Commando have not yet dropped a side and did well to beat Chinese Amateurs last week.

Sing Tao will be fielding the same side which beat South China on Saturday and are confident of gathering both points.

On Sunday, South China and 1/5 Commando meet. Both teams are in the running and the latter is the only team to lower Sing Tao's colours this season.

South China expect to be fully extended and are not too hopeful of winning. It is understood that Lee Wai-tong may be turning out for this game.

Whatever the result it is a pity that 1/5 Commando will be losing several players on Monday, among them Livesey, the centre-half. It is to be hoped that the reserves will be able to fill the vacancies well.

An evenly contested game should be seen at Causeway Bay between 44 R.M. Commando and St. Joseph's. 44 R.M. Commando have not done well so far but their display last week against R.A.F. was very creditable.

The game between Eastern and Club in the First Division has been postponed as the latter are not able to raise a team.

The following is the programme:—

SATURDAY, NOV. 9, 1946

First Division

44 R.M. Commando vs. St. Joseph's.

(Navy ground Causeway Bay 3 p.m.)

Referee: Chan King Tak.

Linesmen: Lui Shiu Ming and Cpl. H. Filmer.

Sing Tao vs. 45 R.M. Commando.

(Club grd. 4.30 p.m.)

Referee: L. G. Young.

Linesmen: Lac. F. Roberts and J. F. da Silva.

Navy vs. R.A.F.

(Navy grd. Causeway Bay 4.30 p.m.)

Referee: Capt. J. P. England.

Linesmen: Ng Kam Chuan and Leung Yuk Long.

Second Division

H.K. Chinese Cadre vs. Kwong Wah.

(St. Joseph's grd. Happy Valley 3 p.m.)

Referee: C. R. S. C. vs. Dockyard.

(Chatham Rd. grd. 4.30 p.m.)

Referee: N. T. Delgado.

H.Q. Land Forces vs. 3 Cdo. Bde. H.Q.

(Chatham Rd. grd. 3 p.m.)

Referee: C.S.M. H. Cook.

H.K. Signal Coy. vs. Club.

(Club grd. 3 p.m.)

Referee: Cpl. H. Filmer.

SUNDAY, NOV. 10, 1946

First Division

1/5 Commando vs. South China.

(Club grd. 4.30 p.m.)

Referee: R. M. Omar.

Linesmen: F. N. Bullock and L. D. Sparrow.

C.A.S.C. vs. Kwong Wah.

(Navy grd. Causeway Bay 4.30 p.m.)

Referee: J. F. da Silva.

Linesmen: B. T. Gosano and A. Leck.

Second Division

Travancore Regt. vs. 42 Commando.

(Chatham Rd. grd. 3 p.m.)

Referee: C.S.M. H. Cook.

C.A.S.C. vs. H.K. Wireless Centre.

(Chatham Rd. grd. 4.30 p.m.)

Referee: N. T. Delgado.

44 R.M. Commando vs. South China.

(Club grd. Happy Valley 3 p.m.)

Referee: F. A. Barretto.

Sing Tao vs. Police.

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 13, 1946

(Navy ground Causeway Bay 3.30 p.m.)

Referee: Sparrow.

Ki Che vs. Navy.

(Navy grd. Causeway Bay at 5 p.m.)

Referee: F. A. Barretto.

DOCKYARD TEAM

The following will represent the Dockyard F.C. against 387 Coy R.A.S.C. at Chatham Road today.

F. Finch, Antles and T. Colegate; L. Ford, O. Hall and J. Ellis; K. Isherwood, E. Stevens, E. Hambley, D. Turner and W. Ritchie.

MCC Match Held Up By Rain

Melbourne, Nov. 8.

Melbourne, like Manchester, has an evil reputation as regards weather and the M.C.C. were held up by rain for the first time during their present tour against an Australian side captained by Don Bradman.

Hammond and Bradman inspected the turf this morning and with rain (which had been intermittent for 20 hours) still falling, they decided that no cricket was possible today. The ground presented a very gloomy appearance with pools of water on the canvas covers spread over the wicket and there were also miniature lakes on the pitch used in the previous match against Victoria which the M.C.C. won by 244 runs.

The weather was a big disappointment for the Australian selectors who, like the Englishmen, regarded this fixture as a test trial match. The Australians are seeking opening batsmen and bowlers.

Hammond has not yet decided on the composition of his team for the game which should have started today.

TODAY'S RUGGER

Interest in today's Rugby will chiefly be centred round the clash between Navy and Club which takes place on the Navy Ground, Happy Valley at 3.30 p.m.

Both sides have been beaten by Commando and R.A.F. Police. Each side is capable of producing good football and, provided the tackling has improved since last week, it should be a really keen struggle.

This match will be followed at 4.45 p.m. by 3 Commando Brigade (whose line up has not yet been crossed this season) and R.A.F. Police, who have sportingly joined forces for this season so that they can raise a side, but who have not quite settled down as a team.

They will however, be considerably strengthened by the return of Downard at fly half.

The Club team will be—P. S. Ingham, P. J. D. Clemo, P. F. Hutton, H. J. S. Muriel, R. Berkeley, F. Cressford, J. Rios, J. Cairns, D. J. L. McWhirter, A. N. O'Neil, J. S. Colchester, D. P. Graham, A. J. G. Taylor and A. Angus.

The Australian team is: D.C. Bradman (South Australia), J.J. Ellis (Queensland), C.C. McCool (Queensland), A. Morris (New South Wales), J. Pettiford (New South Wales), R. Sargers (New South Wales), F. Freer (Victoria), A.L. Hassett (Victoria), M. Harvey (Victoria), K. Millier (Victoria), C. Puckett (West Australia), with G. Tribe (Victoria) as twelfth man.

Morris is an aggressive left-handed bat who holds the world's record for scoring a century in each innings in his first class match against Queensland in 1940.

Ellis is a fast bowler—and not a member of the Australian services side which toured England last year.

Discussions are now taking place with the view of adding next Wednesday as the fourth day in the present match.—Reuter.

FASTBALL

Fastball enthusiasts will have treats in store during this week-end and Remembrance Day when three interesting friendly games are down for decision at King's Park.

To-morrow St. Joseph's play USS, Nueces at 3.30 p.m. and on Monday Giants meet Canadian Chinese at 10.30 a.m. and Club de Recoleta play Hotshots, adas at 10.30 a.m.

The teams:—

Hotshots: Tony Remedios, R. Samy (Capt.), A. M. Kadir, Miskin Samy, Gutierrez Yusuf, Wahab, A. H. Kadir, Hassan and "Nugget" Ebrahim.

Club de Recoleta: Tony Bayot, Pereira, Beltrao, W. Lawrence, Gerry Gosano, Sequeira, Leo Vieira, Luigi Gosano and Tony Alves (Capt.).

Giants: Zaman Abbas, Baptista Junior Markar, Leo Tavares, Benny Omar, Billy Soares, Bakar, Oly Omar, Quinn and Robert Remedios (Capt.).

Canadian Chinese:—Herbie Quon, Kassa Nazarin, A. H. Jamail, J. Delgado, Bunn, George White, Bill Woo (Capt.), G. G. Lee, B. Lor and Samy.

USS: Nueces: Thompsons, Miller, Dwyer, O'Neill, Meadows, Christy, Owens, O'Leary, Williams and Sears (Coach).

St. Joseph's:—Saul, A. R. Razack, Stan Leonard, Arthur O'Grady, Dave Leonard (Capt.), George Souza, Ali, A. K. Omar, A. J. Hassan A.R. Abbas, and S. K. Khan.

Scorer:—A. A. Remedios.

NEW GOLF RULES?

St. Andrews, Nov. 8.

Bernard Darwin, chairman, announced yesterday that the Rules Committee of the Royal and Ancient Golf Club will meet on Nov. 14 to discuss new rules proposed by the United States Golf Association.

The principal change suggested by the Americans concerns the plymie and would permit lifting of a ball within six inches of the hole and interfering with an opponent's play.

Another proposed change would permit disqualification of players who delay or waste time on the course.—Associated Press.

Tail, Dark And Handsome

Standing 5 ft. 10 ins. and weighing 11 st. 8 lbs., he has a splendid physique, and is difficult to dispossess when he dashes fearlessly for goal. He shoots well with either foot, and has headed a large number of goals.

A non-smoker and teetotaler, this "tall, dark and handsome" footballer takes pains to keep himself fit. He holds a physical instructor's certificate.

Memorial Cup

The Combined Services have presented a cup to the Hong Kong Football Association to be known as the Memorial Cup. The cup will be competed for by Royal Navy, Army, Royal Air Force, Chinese and Civilian and will be run on the same lines as the Laif Wah Cup before the war.

The Combined Chinese Club are presenting the trophy for the International Charity Competition.

INTERPORT SOCCER HOPES

At the first meeting of the Interport sub-committee of the Hong Kong Football Association, held yesterday under the chairmanship of C.P.O. Rogers, it was decided to invite Shanghai to visit Hongkong during the Chinese New Year Holidays and here play a series of four games.

The proposed programme include the Interport games, Shanghai v Hong Kong Chinese, Combined Hong Kong and Shanghai Chinese v Rest of Hongkong-Shanghai, the United Services v Shanghai.

It was also decided that the Hong Kong-Macao series be also resumed and that Macao be invited to Hongkong at Easter or thereabouts.

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